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Persecution of the  
Christians In  
China.

REPORTS OF BAD  
USAGE ARE MADE

Tien-Tsin Wall Being Demolished  
--Notes of Many Things  
in East.

HONGKONG, Jan. 28.—News has just arrived that the Christians in the district of Chenchow, Eastern Honan, have been persecuted anew. As affairs had quieted down the converts began meeting together in each other's house for worship. All went well till the nephew of Yuan Shikai, Governor of Shantung, arrived in the district. This person immediately headed a move against the Christians. He enlisted a band of 700 men and began to seize the converts and dragging them to the temples, compelling them to go through the forms of idolatrous worship. Under pain of having their homes destroyed, the converts were forbidden to meet together again. Two of the number were sent down to ask advice and help of the missionaries. It is rather significant that a movement such as this should be inaugurated by a close relative of one of the parties to the famous Yangtze Victory Compact. It is satisfactory to learn that the officials on the spot had disbanded the 700 recruits.

Wenchow is once more looking like itself, so far as the presence of the foreign community is concerned, as the last steamer of the year brought the ladies and children of the Methodist Mission from Ningpo, along with some of the China Inland Mission missionaries from Shanghai, while others arrived by the first steamer in January. The visible appearance of ladies and children in the streets seems to give universal satisfaction to the natives, and conveys a sense of security. Although the city is perfectly quiet, it is not so in the country. Certain districts are still very much disturbed by local banditti. The first installment of the indemnity for mission property destroyed and other losses has now been paid over by the officials of the respective districts.

Shanghai papers report the sudden illness of the Rev. Dr. J. R. Hykes, Vice Consul General for the United States. He was taken ill on the morning of the 18th instant, soon after his reception of the new Taotai at the offices of the Consulate. Latest papers report an improvement in Dr. Hykes' condition.

Arrangements, it is stated, are being made for a Chinese exhibition in London in 1902. The scheme is being engineered by a syndicate, and it will depend upon the support given during the next few months whether the exhibition will be on a larger scale than usual. No site has yet been decided upon. The exhibition will include many examples of Chinese life, with pagodas, temples and Chinese villages.

The statement comes from Constantinople that a proposal is being considered at Yildiz for sending an extraordinary mission of Ulema to China to preach peace to the Chinese Mussulmans, and to strengthen the relations between them and the Khalifate. The idea is said to have emanated from one of the great powers, which is reported to have suggested that the Sultan should exercise his influence as Khalif over the Chinese Mussulmans, numbering about 200,000,000, with a view to bringing the disturbances in the Celestial Empire to an end. It is not surprising to learn that it is thought in diplomatic circles that the scheme will not lead to anything.

A new Japanese Admiralty port is to be opened at the Maizuru, in the province of Tango, during the next fiscal year. On the opening of the port, the warships and torpedo boats now attached to the Admiralty ports of Yokosuka, Kure and Sasebo, will be distributed among the four ports, including that of Maizuru. The new Admiralty port will be provided, as are the other ports, with a marine corps and a shipbuilding yard. Work on the new port has been rapidly progressing, and should no hitch occur in its completion, the naval institution will be formally opened simultaneously with the arrival in Japan of the battleship Mikasa, the last of the ships on the extensive shipbuilding program drawn up after the conclusion of the Japan-China war.

The demolition of the wall of Tien-Tsin has been commenced on the south side, adjoining the Japanese settlement, says the P. and T. Times. It was reported at one time that the whole wall was to be levelled and converted into a tramway road, but we now hear from some quarters that the work is considered too expensive. If the demolition of the wall is necessary or advisable, we fail to see why it need prove expensive at all. If instead of paying the ridiculous wages for coolie labor which the military authorities have paid, they had seized the hundreds of loafers and mischievous characters thronging the city who were largely responsible for the mischief lately wrought, and made them carry out public works for merely their rice, they would be conferring a boon on respectable Chinese, accomplish a great deal for the general benefit, and save many items of heavy expenditure from the National Treasury, while giving the said loafers a wholesome lesson on supply and demand.

Owing to a strike in the printing office of the Echo de Chine, the publication of the paper was suspended for several days last week.

A novel scheme of amusement for bicyclists is proposed at Shanghai. It is the holding of a paper hunt on bicycles, the riding of which will be confined to Chinese paths.

General Voyron telegraphed to Paris last week from Tien-Tsin that all his troops were in occupation of their barracks, and that they had been ordered not to leave them except for the protection of the inhabitants. Snow was abundant and the sanitary conditions excellent.

A Seoul despatch of the 12th inst. to the Asahi says that the electric railway projected by Americans to connect Seoul and Kailjo has been sanctioned. It will avoid the route of the proposed Government railway between the same towns. A contract has been concluded between the Korean railway authorities and Mr. Cawthron—so the name is given in the telegram.

The Siam Government has determined to establish a department of paper currency in the near future. The currency notes will be issued at Bangkok and will be exchangeable for cash on presentation at the currency office. Mr. Williamson has already been appointed director general of the department to work out the details of the scheme.

The project of a trip to Europe and America by the Japanese Prince Imperial is again upon the tapis. It is known that His Imperial Highness entertained a wish to go abroad some time ago, but his departure was deferred until after his marriage, and subsequently by the outbreak of the Chinese troubles. The present idea is that he will set out in the spring.

The Universal Gazette says that the Chinese Government has appointed H. E. Yang Ju, Chinese Minister to St. Petersburg, to be a Peace Commissioner with full power to negotiate with the Russian Government on the subject of the evacuation of Manchuria by the Russian troops. The same paper also states that a special steamer of the C. M. S. N. Co. will be sent to Korea to convey H. E. Hsu Shin-peng, Chinese Minister to Korea, whose recall at the instance of H. E. Li Hung Chang has already been mentioned.

According to the North China Daily News, a Hangchow despatch to hand at Shanghai states that all guilty officers concerned in the Chuchou massacre in Chekiang last July seem to have combined to lay the whole blame of the atrocities upon Pao, ex-Taotai of the said place, and make him a scapegoat for the lot. The intention of the Governor (Sun Tsu-yi) therefore, says our contemporary, now seems to be to memorialize the Throne, recommending that Pao Taotai be banished to penal servitude for life on the military postroads outside of China proper, while the hereditary rank of Baron of the first class held by Pao be taken away from him and given to his eldest son to preserve the family rank and name to uphold the honor of the ex-Taotai's father, the late celebrated General Pao Ts'ao.

The French gunboat Vipere left for Canton on the 18th inst.

The British hospital ship Carthage left on Sunday for Calcutta.

Mr. E. R. Hallifax has been appointed Assistant Superintendent of Police.

Captain C. G. Fritchard, R.G.A., has been appointed to perform the duties of adjutant to the Hongkong Volunteer Corps until the end of March.

The new regulations as to launches in the harbor, which came into force on February 1, are published in a Government Gazette Extraordinary.

The concert which was to have been given on board H. M. S. Tamar on the 21st inst., was cancelled in consequence of the grave news received as to the condition of Her Majesty the Queen.

A canoe was carrying out some undermining work in Pokfulam road on the 20th inst. when a sudden collapse took place and the unfortunate man was buried alive. The body was removed to the mortuary.

The return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum last week included 459 non-Chinese and 137 Chinese to the former institution and 227 non-Chinese and 240 Chinese to the latter.

The Hon. C. P. Chater, C.M.G., district grand master of Hongkong and South China, has announced to Mr. E. W. Mitchell, honorable secretary, Masonic ball committee, that, owing to the death of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen no Masonic ball can be held on the 4th of February as arranged.

We were informed on the 23d inst. by Mr. A. R. Marty that he was just in receipt of a telegram from the firm's Hailphong agent as follows: "S. S. Hue ran ashore during a fog yesterday, 21st, 4 a. m., N.W. by W. of Cape Canie; S. S. Hailing ordered to proceed immediately to render assistance; have no further news."

The Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, agents for the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, inform us that they have received from Amoy further particulars respecting the accident to the S. S. Tamsui Maru. It appears that the steamer on her way from Tamsui to Amoy, at about 9 a. m. on the 21st inst., stranded in a dense fog on a reef off Quemoy Island and made a hole under her bunkers. She was run ashore to save her sinking and it was hoped that she may be saved from becoming a total wreck.

The return of stamp revenue for the years 1899 and 1900 shows an increase for 1899 of \$116,236.56. The principal items in which increase were made were: conveyance or assignment, \$47,214.25; probate or letters of administration, \$44,246.25; bank note duty, \$3,222.50; adhesive stamps, \$6,101.24; mortgage, \$4,361.40; lease without fine or premium, \$1,573.68; transfer of shares, \$1,266.40; charter party, \$1,080. No decrease exceeded \$700 in amount, and the sum of the decreases only came to \$2,425.65.

A Seoul telegram reports that a party of Americans have secured a contract for building waterworks inside the palace grounds for a sum of two million yen.

A Japanese contemporary reports that an American syndicate seems likely to secure the contract for water works in Seoul. The expenditure is estimated at two million yen.

A serious mishap occurred at the Peitang forts when a salute was being fired in honor of the New Year. A Chinese gun exploded while being loaded, killing six men. They were buried at Tongku in a snowstorm on the 3d inst. Several more were wounded.

The slump in tin is exciting some apprehensions in Pahang. The why and wherefore do not seem clear. At the end of the Chinese year there is nearly always a fall, as quantities of ore are thrown on the market by miners, who have to settle up with coolies and other employees.

The Bank of Formosa has been purchasing since December last the gold discovered in the island, and had accumulated about 150 momme down to the 31st ult. It is estimated that the gold purchased in one year will amount to 1,600 momme, the market price being 5 yen per momme.

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